

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

Acknowledgement of Applicant's Amendments

1. The amendments made in claim 1 in the Amendment filed March 8, 2010 have been received and considered by Examiner.
2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.
3. Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Harold Pezzner on March 3, 2011.
4. The application has been amended as follows:

In claim 1, line 3, replace "plastic" with --thermoplastic--.

In claim 1, line 4, replace "plastic" with --thermoplastic--.

In claim 1, line 5, replace "and the casing is produced with" with --said polyamides being--.

In claim 2, line 1, replace "plastic" with --thermoplastic--.

In claim 3, line 1, replace "plastic" with --thermoplastic--.

In claim 4, line 2, replace "plastic" with --thermoplastic--.

Cancel claim 7.

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Allowable Subject Matter

5. Claims 1-6 are allowed.

Reasons for Allowance

6. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

In regard to sole independent claim 1, the prior art of record fails to teach a casing of an electronic device comprising a cathode-ray tube or a flat screen, the casing being produced from a heat-resistant, flame-retardant thermoplastic by an injection-molding process, wherein the thermoplastic has a polyamide-based structure, characterized in that the thermoplastic comprises a mixture of at least two polyamides with different solution viscosity, said polyamides being free-flowing polyamides whose solution viscosity is less than 140 ml/g measured to ISO 307 in a sulfuric acid solution comprising 0.005 g/ml of specimen.

Conclusion

7. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."
8. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Walter B. Aughenbaugh whose telephone number is (571) 272-1488. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday from 9:00am to 7:30pm.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Rena Dye, can be reached on (571) 272-3186. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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